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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS: ZIM JUL 30 P 2: 30 3 KRISTIN K. MAYES, Chairman GARY PIERCE AZ CORP COMMISSION 4 PAUL NEWMAN DOCKET COMTROL SANDRA D. KENNEDY **BOB STUMP** 6 IN THE MATTER OF: 7 MARK W. BOSWORTH and LISA A. 8 BOSWORTH, husband and wife; 9 STEPHEN G. VAN CAMPEN and DIANE V. VAN CAMPEN, husband and wife; 10 MICHAEL J. SARGENT and PEGGY L. 11 SARGENT, husband and wife; 12 ROBERT BORNHOLDT and JANE DOE BORNHOLDT, husband and wife; 13 MARK BOSWORTH & ASSOCIATES, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company; 14 3 GRINGOS MEXICAN INVESTMENTS, LLC, 15 an Arizona limited liability company;

Respondents.

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BY THE COMMISSION:

On July 3, 2008, the Securities Division ("Division") of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") filed a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing ("Notice") against Mark W. Bosworth and Lisa A. Bosworth, husband and wife; Stephen G. Van Campen and Diane V. Van Campen, husband and wife; Michael J. Sargent and Peggy L. Sargent, husband and wife; Robert Bornholdt and Jane Doe Bornholdt, husband and wife; Mark Bosworth & Associates, LLC ("MBA"); and 3 Gringos Mexican Investments, LLC ("3GMI") (collectively "Respondents"), in which the Division alleged multiple violations of the Arizona Securities Act ("Act") in connection with the offer and sale of securities in the form of notes and investment contracts.

Respondents were duly served with copies of the Notice. Requests for hearing were filed by

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¹ The Bosworth Respondents filed a joint Answer with MBA and 3GMI. Mr. Bosworth signed the Answer individually

and as the managing member of MBA and as a member of 3GMI. ² On February 24, 2009, the Sargent Respondents made an additional filing in support of their Motion to Stay arguing issues related to a subpoena to the Custodian of Records of 3GMI.

all Respondents except 3GMI. Subsequently, Answers were filed by all Respondents.¹

On August 6, 2008, by Procedural Order, a pre-hearing conference was scheduled for September 18, 2008.

On August 15, 2008, Respondents the Sargent Respondents filed a 12(b)(6) Motion to Dismiss the Alleged Violations of A.R.S. § 44-1991 ("Motion to Dismiss").

On August 21, 2008, the Sargent Respondents filed a Motion to Stay and requested oral argument on the Motion ("Motion to Stay").2

On August 28, 2008, the Division filed a Motion to Extend Due Date for Response to the Sargent Respondents' 12(b)(6) Motion to Dismiss the Alleged Violations of A.R.S. § 44-1991.

On August 28, 2008, the Van Campen Respondents filed Joinder to the Sargent Respondents' Motion to Stay and also filed a Motion to Quash Subpoena.

On September 5, 2008, the Division filed its Response to the Motion to Dismiss and also filed its Response to the Motion to Stay.

On September 9, 2008, the Sargent Respondents filed a Notice of Intent to File Reply Briefs in Support of their (1) Motion to Stay and (2) 12(b)(6) Motion to Dismiss.

On September 11, 2008, the Division filed its Response the Van Campen Respondents' Motion to Quash Subpoena and also filed its Response to the Joinder of the Van Campen Respondents in the Sargent Respondents' Motion to Stay Proceedings.

On September 12, 2008, a Procedural Order was issued stating that due to the unavailability of the Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") assigned to hear this matter, that no substantive motions would be heard at the September 18, 2008, pre-hearing conference, but at that time, discussions would be held to schedule a subsequent pre-hearing conference to address the motions filed in this matter.

On September 17, 2008, the Sargent Respondents filed their Reply in Support of Motion to Stay and request for oral argument. Additionally, the Sargent Respondents filed their Reply in

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Support of the 12(b)(6) Motion to Dismiss.

On September 18, 2008, the pre-hearing conference was held as scheduled. Respondents and the Division appeared through counsel, and dates for the purpose of resetting the pre-hearing conference were discussed. During the discussions, counsel for the Securities Division informed the ALJ that Attorney David Farney was to represent the Bosworth Respondents. Mr. Farney had not filed Notice of Appearance in this docket on behalf of his clients.

On September 22, 2008, by Procedural Order, the pre-hearing conference was re-scheduled for October 17, 2008, and Mr. Farney was directed to file a Notice of Appearance.

On October 1, 2008, the Van Campsen Respondents filed their Answer to the Division's Notice.

On October 2, 2008, Mr. Farney filed a Notice of Appearance on behalf of the Bosworth and MBA Respondents.

On October 17, 2008, at the pre-hearing conference, the Division and Respondents appeared through counsel. Mr. Bosworth was also present. Mr. Farney indicated that he was awaiting approval of a Bankruptcy Court judge in a proceeding involving his clients to confirm his retention by the court and that after the court's confirmation approving his retention he would file his clients' Answer(s). Certain of the parties indicated that there are ongoing discussions with the Division to resolve issues raised in the Notice. Additionally, Mr. Bosworth indicated that some form of response might be entered on behalf of 3GMI. It was also disclosed that no indictments of any of the Respondents had yet been issued. Rulings on the various pending motions were held in abeyance to await the filing of the Answer(s) by Mr. Farney on behalf of his clients and the possible response by 3GMI after which time another pre-hearing conference would be held to address these matters.

On October 20, 2008, by Procedural Order, a pre-hearing conference was scheduled on December 15, 2008, to address pending motions and the status of the proceeding.

On December 15, 2008, the Division and the Respondents who had requested hearings appeared through counsel. There was no response filed on behalf of 3GMI. Mr. Farney had not been approved by the Bankruptcy Court to represent the Bosworths and, as a result, he had delayed the filing of the Answer(s) on behalf of his clients. Additionally, there had been no indictments of any of

the named Respondents and pending motions were being held in abeyance. The parties agreed to a further status conference being scheduled in early 2009. By Procedural Order, a status conference was scheduled for February 5, 2009.

On January 26, 2009, counsel for the Bosworth Respondents and MBA filed a Motion to Withdraw as Attorney of Record pursuant to E.R. 1.16(b), and certified that his clients had been notified of the status of the proceeding and any pending scheduled proceedings.

On January 27, 2009, by Procedural Order, the Motion to Withdraw as Attorney of Record for the Bosworth Respondents and MBA was granted.

On March 10, 2009, the Division filed a response to the Sargent Respondents' filing in support of their earlier filing of the Motion to Stay.

On March 17, 2009, the Sargent Respondents filed a Motion to Quash Subpoena with respect to a subpoena sent by certified mail to the "Custodian of Records" of 3GMI.

On March 24, 2009, the Sargent Respondents filed a reply to the Division's March 10, 2009, response pointing out that the Division was seeking information on 21 entities other than 3GMI and further argued Mr. Sargent was not the "Custodian of Records" of 3GMI.

On March 31, 2009, the Division filed its response to the Sargent Respondents' Motion to Quash Subpoena citing substantial reasons why the motion should be denied.

On June 18, 2009, the Division filed a Motion to Set Hearing.

On July 7, 2009, the Sargent Respondents filed a response to the Division's Motion to Set Hearing. Therein, the Sargent Respondents argued that the proceeding was not ready for hearing primarily related to the underlying issue whether the Commission's administrative proceeding should go forward as was argued in all prior Motions to Quash or Stay due to the possible prosecution to one or more of the Respondents in an as yet unfiled criminal proceeding.

Under the circumstances, since a reasonable period of time has passed, while there is a possibility that a criminal prosecution may be instituted against one or more of the Respondents in this proceeding, the mere possibility of such action is not grounds to stay this action further or to quash the Division's subpoenas issued previously to certain of the Respondents.

With respect to the Division's Motion to Set Hearing, upon ruling on the outstanding motions,

there is no reasonable basis to delay the proceeding further and, accordingly, a status conference should be scheduled to determine a hearing schedule.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Motion to Dismiss filed on August 15, 2008, by the Sargent Respondents shall be taken under advisement.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Motion to Stay filed on August 21, 2008, by the Sargent Respondents is hereby denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Motion to Quash and the Joinder in the Motion to Stay filed on August 28, 2008, by the Van Campen Respondents are hereby denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Motion to Quash filed on March 17, 2009, by the Sargent Respondents is hereby denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a status conference shall be held on August 18, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street, Room 100, Phoenix, Arizona.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Ex Parte Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113 – Unauthorized Communications) is in effect and shall remain in effect until the Commission's Decision in this matter is final and non-appealable.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all parties must comply with Rules 31 and 38 of the Rules of the Arizona Supreme Court and A.R.S. § 40-243 with respect to practice of law and admission *pro hac vice*.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that withdrawal of representation must be made in compliance with A.A.C. R14-3-104(E) and Rule 1.16 of the Rules of Professional Conduct (under Rule 42 of the Rules of the Arizona Supreme Court). Representation before the Commission includes the obligation to appear at all hearings and procedural conferences, as well as all Open Meetings for which the matter is scheduled for discussion, unless counsel has previously been granted permission to withdraw by the Administrative Law Judge or the Commission.

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1	.IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Pr	esiding Officer may rescind, alter, amend, or waive
2	any portion of this Procedural Order either by sub	osequent Procedural Order or by ruling at hearing.
3	Dated this30 day of July, 2009.	
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